H.B. NO. 2427

A Bill for an Act Relating to Solid Waste Management.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that each county was required to submit to the office of solid waste management in the department of health an integrated solid waste management plan for review no later than July 1, 1995. Thereafter, counties are required to submit revised plans to the office of solid waste management once every five years, and as necessary. However, the legislature finds that the required interval of five years does not provide adequate time for analyzing and predicting solid waste trends, which would help provide more accurate planning. The process of analyzing one complete year of data and organizing and writing a revised plan from start to completion, can take well over two years, with the result that counties work continuously to update their plans throughout the five-year period.

The purpose of this Act is to extend from five years to ten years the required interval for a county to submit a revised integrated solid waste management plan.

SECTION 2. Section 342G-24, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(a) Each state-approved county plan shall be revised and submitted to the office on the following schedule:

- (1) The first revised plan shall be submitted to the office not later than four years after July 1, 1991; and
- (2) Subsequent revised plans shall be submitted to the office once every [five years:] ten years; provided that an interim status report on the implementation of a revised plan shall be submitted five years after every submission of a revised plan to the office.

All revised plans shall be consistent with the requirements of this chapter."

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved April 8, 2010.)